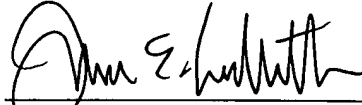


REMARKS

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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